

## Helpful Information

Connecticut Department of Energy and  
Environmental Protection (DEEP)

*Stormwater Management:*

[www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/view.asp?a=2721&q=325702&deNav\\_GID=1654](http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/view.asp?a=2721&q=325702&deNav_GID=1654)

US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)  
Greening EPA

*Stormwater Management:*

[www.epa.gov/oaintmnt/stormwater/index.htm](http://www.epa.gov/oaintmnt/stormwater/index.htm)

US EPA National Pollutant Discharge Elimination  
System (NPDES)

*Stormwater Program:*

[http://cfpun.epa.gov/npdes/home.cfm?program\\_id=6](http://cfpun.epa.gov/npdes/home.cfm?program_id=6)

City of Stamford Stormwater Management:

<http://www.stamfordct.gov/stormwater-management>



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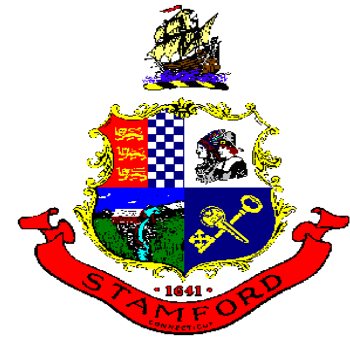
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## Preventing Stormwater Pollution



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## What is Stormwater

Stormwater runoff occurs when precipitation from rain or snow melt flows over the ground. Impervious surfaces like driveways, sidewalks, and streets prevent stormwater from naturally soaking into the ground.



## Beware of Dog Waste:

Dog waste does not make a good fertilizer. It is actually toxic to your lawn, causing burns and unsightly discoloring.

More importantly, it has been estimated that a single gram of dog feces can contain 23 million fecal coliform bacteria, which are known to cause cramps, diarrhea, intestinal illness, and serious kidney disorders in humans.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates that two or three days' worth of droppings from a population of about 100 dogs would contribute enough bacteria to temporarily close a bay, and all watershed areas within 20 miles of it, to swimming and shellfishing.

Dog feces are one of the most common carriers of the following diseases:

- Heartworms
- Whipworms
- Hookworms
- Roundworms
- Tapeworms
- Parvo
- Corona
- Giardiasis
- Salmonellosis
- Cryptosporidiosis
- Campylobacteriosis

Children, puppies and kittens are most susceptible to pet-borne illnesses because they have weaker immune systems than adults.

## Be Part of the Solution:

- Never Dump anything down storm drains or in streams
- Pick up loose trash
- Pick up after your pet
- Utilize pet waste stations



***The most responsible thing pet owners can do for their family, community and environment is to make sure their pets are picked up after.***

***Penalty for violation of City Charter Sec. 111-7 shall be subject to a fine of \$75.00 for either public or private property.***